

PRESS RELEASE

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FRISCO POLICE INVESTIGATE DEATH - UPDATE

On the evening of January 29, 2014 at approximately 6:30 pm, Frisco Police officers were dispatched to 15405 Mountain View Lane, Frisco, Collin County, Texas, in reference to a welfare concern. The reporting party, Sumeet Dhawan advised that he had arrived home today from being out of town for the last three weeks and was concerned for his wife and his son.

After officers arrived on scene, Mr. Dhawan told them that he had been out of town and arrived home a few hours earlier. Mr. Dhawan said that his wife, Pallavi Dhawan and he live together in the home with their ten year old child, Arnav Dhawan. They have no other children.

Mr. Dhawan said his wife left the location a couple of hours prior to him calling police. He became concerned after she took a long time to return. Mr. Dhawan expressed concern about the welfare of his child. Mr. Dhawan learned through email that his child had not attended school for the last several days. While officers were speaking with Mr. Dhawan, Mrs. Dhawan returned to the location. Officers asked her about the location of the child. Mrs. Dhawan indicated that she wanted to speak with her husband first. Officers waited while Mr. Dhawan and wife spoke privately.

During the conversation Mr. Dhawan became notably upset. Officers were called over by Mr. Dhawan who pointed towards a bedroom door. Officers rushed toward the door and found it to be locked. Officers asked Mrs. Dhawan if the child was in the room and she nodded her head "yes". Officers asked her if she killed the child and Mrs. Dhawan nodded her head "yes".

Officers forced entry into the bathroom and found Arnav in the bath tub deceased. He was lying in the bath tub with a cloth wrapped up to his neck. Plastic bags were also found in the bathtub around him as well.

Officers arrested Mrs. Dhawan and transported her to the Frisco City Jail. She has been officially charged with Murder, which is a first degree felony. Her bond has been set \$50,000.00.

An autopsy was performed this morning and a cause of death has not been determined by the Collin County Medical Examiner at this time.



ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE

FRISCO, TX – The Frisco Police Department is investigating the death of a 10 year-old child at his residence.

The incident occurred in the 15000 block of Mountain View Lane. Police were called to the residence at approximately 6:32 pm on 01/29/2014, for a welfare concern. Upon arrival, Officers made contact with the child's parents and subsequently discovered the deceased child in the house.

The child's mother, 38 year-old Pallavi Dhawan, was taken into custody at the scene in connection with the child's death. She was transported to the Frisco Police Department for further investigation.

No formal charges have been filed at this time. The circumstances of how the child died are currently under investigation.

Anyone with information pertaining to this incident should contact the Frisco Police Department at 972-292-6010.

Please refer to case #14-08046.

Information may also be submitted anonymously to the Frisco Police Department by texting **FRISCOPD** and the tip to **847411 (tip411)** or by clicking on the tip411 button on the Frisco Police home page, located at http://www.friscotexas.gov/police.

The Frisco Police Department will release additional information when available.